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In re the application of:

SOMCHAI KREANG-AREKUL et al.

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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR COMBINING A PLURALITY OF

RADIOGRAPHIC IMAGES

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 22, 2004, which set forth the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-39, 43-44, and 54-68 drawn to stitching and aligning a plurality of images, classified in Class 382, subclass 294.
- II. Claims 40-42 and 45-53, drawn to a method of blending stitched images, classified in Class 382, subclass 284.

Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, claims 1-39, 43-44 and 54-68, with traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional or related application to the claims of non-elected groups.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: $1/18/200\hat{5}$

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